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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO ERITREAN REFUGEES IN SUDAN

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1. DEPARTMENT WILL REALIZE THAT INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM UNHCR AND WFP REPS HERE (KHARTOUM 155) COLORED BY HABITUAL SELFCONFIDENCE ON PART THOSE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROBLEMS FOR WHICH THEY HAVE ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY ARE INDEED WELL IN HAND. THEIR ASSURANCES NOTWITHSTANDING, FACT REMAINS THAT WE HAVE RECENTLY RECEIVED HIGH LEVEL PLEA FOR SPECIAL ONE-TIME ASSISTANCE (KHARTOUM 139). BELIEVE WE MUST GIVE AT LEAST AS MUCH WEIGHT TO THIS SPECIAL SITUATION AS TO INFORMATION FURNISHED BY TECHNICIANS WHO NECESSARILY HAVE NARROWER VIEW OF PROBLEMS INVOLVED.

2. WE UNDERSTAND DEPARTMENT STILL CONTEMPLATING FEASIBILITY OF PROVIDING SOME FORM OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO ERITREAN REFUGEES IN SUDAN IN WAKE OF SUDANESE-ASSISTED RELEASE OF KAGNEW TWO. WE TRUST THAT LIMITED TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT SUBMITTED KHARTOUM 155 WILL NOT CLOSE DEPARTMENT'S EYE TO BROADER ASPECTS OF PROBLEM. BREWER

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